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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1-25. (Canceled)

26. (New) A method of providing a cardiac emergency readiness program at a facility comprising:

conducting a survey of the facility for determining the proper placement of at least one automated external defibrillator so as to assure a predetermined proximity to an AED by any victim of sudden cardiac arrest at the facility;

certifying that the cardiac emergency readiness program has met certain minimum requirements including the proper placement of the at least one automated external defibrillator in accordance with the survey; and

providing ongoing support for the cardiac emergency readiness program including the promotion of the facility as having a certified cardiac emergency readiness program through a communication network.

- 27. (New) The method of claim 26 wherein facility personnel conduct the survey.
- 28. (New) The method of claim 26 further comprising:

 placing the at least one automated external defibrillator in accordance with the survey.
- 29. (New) The method of claim 28 wherein facility personnel conduct the survey and place the at least one automated external defibrillator.
- 30. (New) The method of claim 26 further comprising: selecting facility personnel to be responsible for the cardiac emergency readiness program liaison.
- 31. (New) The method of claim 26 further comprising: maintaining the at least one automated external defibrillator.
- 32. (New) The method of claim 30 wherein facility personnel maintain the at least one automated defibrillator.
- 33. (New) The method of claim 26 further comprising: training facility personnel to use the at least one automated external defibrillator.
- 34. (New) The method of claim 26 wherein the step of providing ongoing support includes the maintenance of a checklist including the name of the person responsible for the cardiac emergency program and the number of automated external defibrillators.

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35. (New) The method of claim 34 wherein the checklist is completed by facility personnel.

- 36. (New) The method of claim 26 wherein the facility is a hotel.
- 37. (New) The method of claim 26 wherein the facility is a convention hall.